

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
FORT LAUDERDALE DIVISION**

CASE NO. 0:26-cv-60002-RS

MELVIN E. HERNANDEZ TINIGUAR,

Petitioner,

v.

GARRETT J RIPA Field Office Director of
Enforcement and Removal Operations, MIAMI
Field Office, Immigration and Customs
Enforcement; TODD LYONS, Acting Director
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement,
Kristi NOEM, Secretary, U.S. Department of
Homeland Security; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY; Pamela BONDI,
U.S. Attorney General; EXECUTIVE OFFICE
FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW,

Respondents.

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STATUS UPDATE

Respondents, through the undersigned Assistant United States Attorney, file this Status Update in accordance with the Court's February 10, 2026, Order Granting Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus [D.E. 11] and state as follows:

1. Petitioner was afforded an individualized bond hearing in accordance with 8 C.F.R. § 1236 on February 18, 2026.
2. At that hearing, the Immigration Judge denied bond because the "[Petitioner] has not met his burden in establishing he is a suitable bail risk." *See* Order of Immigration Judge (Feb. 18, 2026), redacted and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Dated: February 18, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 18, 2026, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF. I also certify that the foregoing document is being served this day on all counsel of record identified on the Service List via CM/ECF.

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